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SUBJECT: MALLINCKRODT BID ON SEIZED AFGHAN OPIUM

REF: A) STATE 233904; B) MALLINCKRODT COMMERCIAL CABLES TO RAU AND KAZIMI (NOTAL)

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY TO R.W. KENT OF MALLINCKRODT FROM GOA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE. QUOTE PLEASE BE ADVISED NOT RPT NOT TO COME TO AFGHANISTAN. MALLINCKRODT BID HAS BEEN REJECTED IN FAVOR OF A BETTER BID FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY. END QUOTE. THIS CONFLICTS WITH INFO REPORTED YESTERDAY BY MR. KAZIMI, MALLINCKRODT REPRESNTATIVE IN KABUL. KAZIMI CABLED KENT WITH NEWS THAT MALLINCKRODT BID ACCEPTED AND KENT RESPONDED THAT HE WOULD ARRIVE IN KABUL JANUARY 8 TO SIGN CONTRACT. MON/COMMERCE OFFICIAL (FARID RAFIQ) PROFESSED NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO REASON FOR CHANGE.

2. AFTER QUESTIONING, WE WERE INFORMED THAT GOA NOW HAS TWO BIDS, ONE FROM USSR AND OTHER FROM YUGOSLAVIA, BOTH BETTER THAN MALLINCKRODT BID. GOA HAS NOT DECIDED WHICH BIDDER WILL GET OPIUM (NOW 13 TONS), BUT HAS DEFINITELY REJECTED MALLINCKRODT BID. ELIOT

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